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SUBJECT: LETTER TO RAUF DENKTASH FROM CLARK CLIFFORD

EMBASSY SHOULD DELIVER FOLLOWING LETTER DATED APRIL 29 FROM
CLARK CLIFFORD TO RAUF DENKTASH. SIGNED ORIGINAL HAS BEEN
POUCHED.

1. BEGIN TEXT: YOUR EXCELLENCY: SINCE THE TALKS LAST
MONTH IN VIENNA BETWEEN THE NEGOTIATORS FOR THE TWO CYPRUS
COMMUNITIES, WE HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY IN WASHINGTON TO
CONSIDER WHAT MIGHT BE DONE TO BUILD ON THESE DISCUSSIONS.
I HAD A GOOD TALK MYSELF LAST WEEK WITH MR. CHELIK. I AM
SURE HE HAS REPORTED TO YOU IN FULL ON OUR CONVERSATION AND
ON HIS SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS WITH MR. NIMETZ AND MR. LEDSKY.
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I THOUGHT, HOWEVER, THAT IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL IF I GAVE YOU
MY OWN ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION.

2. AS YOU KNOW, I HAVE NOT TRIED TO HIDE MY DISAPPOINTMENT
THAT MORE DETAILED DISCUSSIONS DID NOT TAKE PLACE IN VIENNA
ALTHOUGH THERE WERE CERTAINLY SOME POSITIVE ASPECTS AS
WELL. BUT QUITE FRANKLY, WE HAD HOPED THAT THE TURKISH

CYPRIOI CONSTITUTIONAL MEMORANDUM WHICH MR. ONAN PRESENTED
IN VIENNA WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE DETAILED AND EXTENSIVE. I
REALIZE THAT THE PROPOSAL WHICH WAS PUT FORWARD IS NOT YOUR

FINAL POSITION, BUT I HOPE IT MIGHT NOW BE POSSIBLE TO
BEGIN TO NARROW THE WIDE DIFFERENCES WHICH CLEARLY EXIST
ON CONSTITUTIONAL CONCEPTS. WE OFFERED SOME THOUGHTS
TO MR. CHELIK ON HOW YOUR PROPOSALS MIGHT BE EXPANDED AND
CLARIFIED IN CERTAIN SPECIFIC AREAS. WE ALSO TALKED WITH
HIM ABOUT POSSIBLE APPROACHES TO FURTHER DISCUSSION ON
TERRITORY. AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD WOULD BE GLAD TO DISCUSS
THESE IDEAS FURTHER WITH YOU IF THAT WOULD BE OF ASSIST-
ANCE.

3. IN MY OPINION, IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT ALL
SIDES MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO SUSTAIN THE NEGOTIATIONS. WE
REALIZE THAT THE TALKS IN NICOSIA NEXT MONTH WILL NOT LEAD
TO A SIGNIFICANT BREAKTHROUGH BUT I BELIEVE STRONGLY THAT
WITH ADEQUATE PREPARATION THEY CAN PROVIDE A BASIS FOR
CLARIFICATION OF POSITIONS. IT IS VITAL IN ANY EVENT, THAT
THE PARTIES REMAIN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH ONE ANOTHER.

4. IN CLOSING, I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT THE UNITED
STATES WILL CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING IT CAN TO SUPPORT
THE CYPRUS NEGOTIATING PROCESS. FOR MY PART, I WANT TO
CONTINUE TO BE OF ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE. SINCERELY,
CLARK M. CLIFFORD. END TEXT.
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